

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request entry of the above amendments prior to examination of the above-referenced reissue patent application.

Correction of Inventorship

The issued patent failed to include the third and fourth inventors, namely, Daniel L. Corrigan, and Timothy R. Dickson. The statements agreeing to the change of the inventorship signed by current inventors, added inventors, assignee of record, and assignee of added inventors are enclosed herewith. According, correction of the inventorship should be entered.

Correction of Assignee

Multisorb Technologies, Inc. is the Assignee of Record by way of an Assignment recorded on October 19, 2000, Reel: 011254, Frame: 0918;

Halla Climate Control, Canada, Inc. is the Assignee of Inventors Daniel L. Corrigan and Timothy R. Dickson by way of an Assignment concurrently filed for recordation (a copy of such Assignment being attached hereto).

Claim Amendments

Claim 1 has been amended to recite cylindrical adsorbent unit having a top and a base and an elongated central opening therebetween. The added recitation is supported in the specification, see col. 2, line 65 - col. 3, line 3.

Claim 27 has been amended to recite a top and a base and an elongated central opening therebetween, said elongated central opening in said cylindrical adsorbent unit receiving said elongated member. The added recitation is supported in the specification, see col. 2, line 65 - col. 3, line 3., and Figures 1-3.

New claim 43 recites "elongated member extends downwardly beyond said enlarged portion and has at least one cutout proximate the end portion thereof."

New claim 44 recites "elongated member extends downwardly beyond said enlarged member and has an end portion with at least one cutout proximate thereof."

These recitations are supported in the specification of the patent, see col. 4, lines 54-56, and Figure 18.

The claim amendments have been made so as to distinguish the claims further from EP 0732555 referred to in the European supplementary search report.

EP 073255 does not have the feature of "a cylindrical adsorbent unit having a top and a base and an elongated central opening therebetween, said elongated central, a central opening in said cylindrical adsorbent unit receiving said elongated member."

In EP 0732555, there is a desiccant-containing basket 30 which consists of a cylindrical outer portion and a bottom with a hole therein which receives the centre tube 28. A perforated cover plate 34 fits within the cylindrical wall of the basket and has a central opening which receives the centre tube 28. Accordingly, *inter alia*, claim 1 is now distinguished over EP 0732555 because it utilizes a separate self-contained adsorbent unit, whereas EP 0732555 utilizes a basket which does not have the elongated central opening between a top and a base.

In the supplementary search report, US 4,908,132 is also given the category "x". The claims are clearly distinguished from this patent. US 4,908,132 merely discloses a desiccant core which fits within a receiver dehydrator. It is not mounted on a pipe in the dehydrator.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request a reissue of US Patent No. 6,309,450, as amended herein.

In the event that Applicants have overlooked the need for payment of fee, or additional payment of fee, Applicants hereby conditionally petition therefor and authorize that any charges be made to Deposit Account No. 02-0390, BAKER & DANIELS.

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